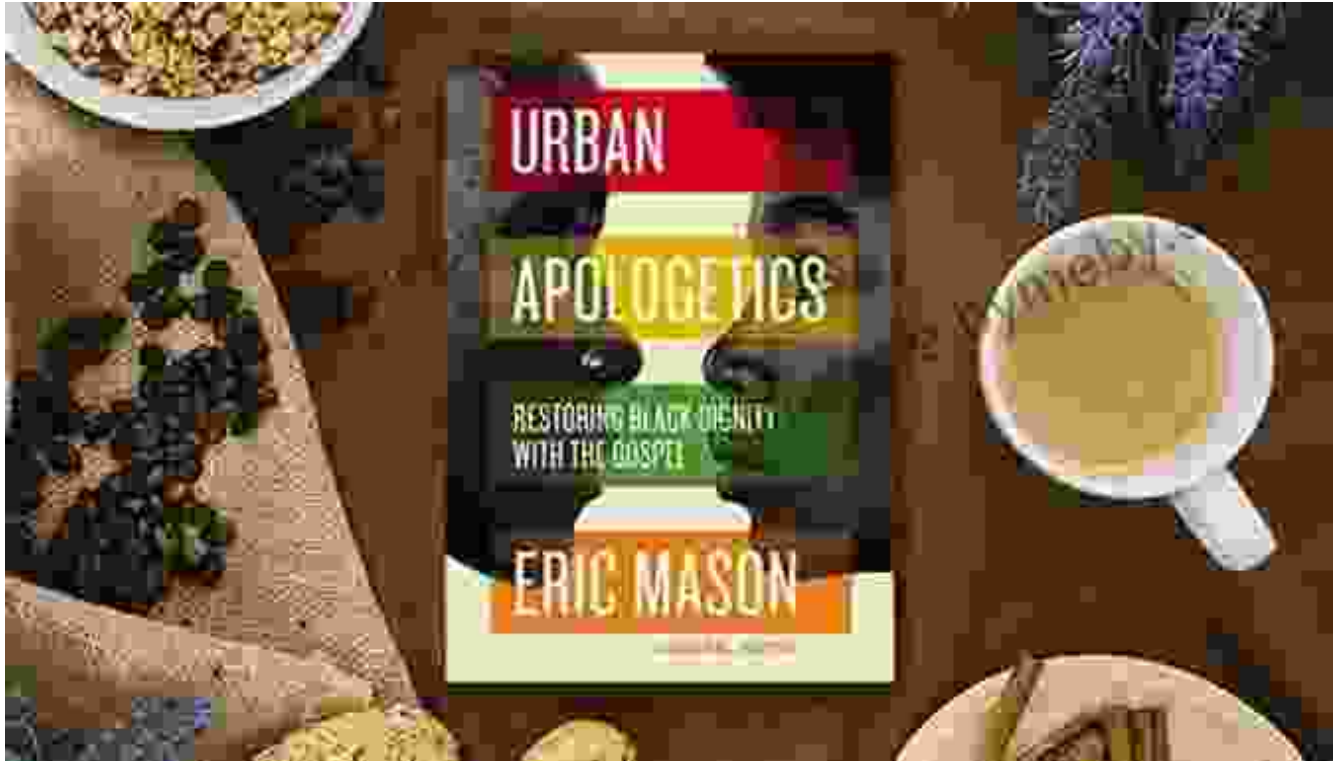
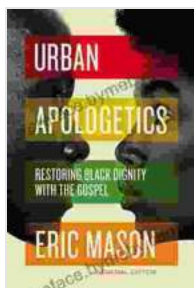


Urban Apologetics: Restoring Black Dignity with the Gospel



In the wake of the tragic death of George Floyd, the nation has been grappling with issues of race, justice, and reconciliation. Amidst the pain and anger, there is a growing sense of urgency to address the systemic racism that has plagued our society for centuries.



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As Christians, we are called to be agents of reconciliation, to bridge the divides that separate us and to proclaim the gospel of hope to all people. But how can we do this effectively in the midst of such deep-seated wounds?

In his new book, *Urban Apologetics: Restoring Black Dignity with the Gospel*, Dr. Eric Mason offers a powerful and timely framework for engaging with the complexities of race and faith in the 21st century.

A Theology of Black Dignity

Mason begins by arguing that black dignity is rooted in the *imago Dei*, the image of God. This means that every black person is created with inherent worth and value, regardless of their race, socioeconomic status, or any other factor.

However, Mason also acknowledges the reality of racial oppression and the ways in which it has dehumanized black people. He argues that the church must play a role in dismantling this oppression and restoring the dignity of all black people.

This means not only condemning racism in all its forms, but also working to create a more just and equitable society. Mason calls on Christians to be advocates for racial justice, to work for policies that dismantle systemic racism, and to create spaces where black people can thrive.

Apologetics for the Black Church

Mason also argues that the black church has a unique role to play in the fight for racial justice. He believes that the black church is a beacon of hope for black communities, and that it can play a vital role in equipping black people to resist oppression and to live into their full potential.

However, Mason also acknowledges that the black church has sometimes been complicit in perpetuating racism. He argues that the church must repent of this complicity and commit to becoming a force for racial reconciliation.

This means not only preaching against racism, but also creating a truly inclusive church where black people feel welcomed and valued. It means working to dismantle the barriers that have divided the black church from other parts of the Christian community.

A Call to Action

Mason concludes his book with a call to action for all Christians to work for racial justice. He argues that the gospel of Jesus Christ compels us to love our neighbors as ourselves, and that this means working to create a society where all people are treated with dignity and respect.

Urban Apologetics is a challenging and thought-provoking book that will force readers to confront the realities of race and racism in our society. But it is also a hopeful book, one that offers a vision for a better future.

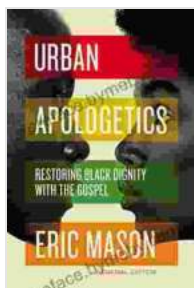
If you are a Christian who is concerned about racial justice, I encourage you to read this book. It will help you to understand the complexities of race

and faith, and it will equip you to be an agent of reconciliation in your own community.

About the Author

Dr. Eric Mason is the founding pastor of Epiphany Fellowship Church in Philadelphia, PA. He is also a professor of theology at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary and the author of several books, including *Woke Church: An Urgent Call for Christians in America to Confront Racism and Injustice*.

Urban Apologetics is a must-read for anyone who is serious about racial justice. It is a powerful and timely book that will challenge you, inspire you, and equip you to be an agent of reconciliation in your own community.



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